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SUBJECT- TEMPORARY DETENTION OF AMCIT DAVID BLACKBURN

REF: (A) BRASILIA 9352, (B) BRASILIA 9351, (C) STATE 230718

1. BASIS REFTELS A AND B IT APPEARS GOB HANDLING OF BLACKBURN CASE CONFORMS TO BRAZILIAN LAW AND VIENNA CONVENTION WITH APPARENT EXCEPTION OF NOT ASKING BLACKBURN WHETHER HE WISHED CONSUL TO BE NOTIFIED.

2. WE BELIEVE THE CLIMATE MAY NOW BE SUITABLE TO MAKE INFORMAL REPRESENTATIONS TO FOREIGN OFFICE ALONG ARGUMENTATION IN REFTEL C WHICH CONCERNED VIENNA CONVENTION AND FAILURE OF GOB AUTHORITIES TO ASK MORRIS WHETHER HE WISHED CONSUL NOTIFIED AND FAILURE TO MAKE PROVISION TO DO SO ASSUMING HE SO WISHED. ISSUE WAS NOT PRESSED AT THAT TIME BECAUSE OF TENSIONS THEN EXISTING.

3. BLACKBURN CASE WOULD APPEAR TO GIVE US AN OPPORTUNITY TO PURSUE THIS QUESTION IN MORE PROPITIOUS ATMOSPHERE. BEFORE MAKING THIS DECISION, HOWEVER, WE WOULD APPRECIATE
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REPORT ON HOW CASE CAME TO ATTENTION OF CONSUL BROWN AND

ANY OTHER PERTINENT COMMENT REGARDING GAP BETWEEN DETENTION ON DEC. 8 AND BROWN'S KNOWLEDGE ON DEC. 10. GOB WOULD POSSIBLY ARGUE THAT BLACKBURN IN ANY EVENT WAS ONLY TEMPORARILY DETAINED FOR TWO HOURS FOR QUESTIONING AND NOT ARRESTED: THEREFORE, OPPORTUNITY FOR NOTIFICATION NOT AN ISSUE. IMPORTANT POINT, HOWEVER, IS THAT CASE WOULD GIVE US OPENING TO MAKE CLEAR OUR POSITION AS DESCRIBED REFTEL C. KISSINGER

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